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- 1. U.S. Patent No. 4,085,136 issued on April 18, 1978 (Exhibit 1);
- 2. U.S. Patent No. 5,223,646 issued on June 29, 1993 (Exhibit 2);
- 3. Japanese Patent No. JP 3077856 issued on April 3, 1991 (Exhibit 3);
- 4. Kitaori, Kazuhiro, (1997) Chem. Pharm. Bull 45(2)412-414 (Exhibit 4); and
- 5. Wilson, Michael, (1988) *J. Chromatography* (431) pp. 222-227 (Exhibit 5).

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